

Docket No.: 218469US0

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
Manfred SCHWARTZ, et al. : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION :  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: AQUEOUS COMPOSITIONS FOR COATING METAL COMPONENTS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy to read as follows:

--12. (Amended) The method as claims in claim 1, wherein the addition polymer P' has a glass transition temperature in the range from 10°C to 80°C.--